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SENIOR BALL

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Seniors Complete Graduation Plans

Six senior committees are completing plans for commencement week. Everything is being cleared up this week in an endeavor to have the program ready by the time exams start.

Only the date of class day is certain as yet, according to John Symes. The affair will take place at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, June 15, in the College chapel. The report of the Class Historian will be given along with their bits of humor.

The Ivy planting this year will be done around the Alumni gymnasium. Robert Towner is supervising this work.

Laurence Miller stated that the committee on invitations has received the invitations from the printer, and that they are rapidly being sent out.

The seniors are giving to the college an electric scoreboard for use in the gymnasium. This apparatus will be used to record the basketball scores. The class is giving this scoreboard with the hope that a class following will give another scoreboard for the other side of the gymnasium. Each senior will be assessed one dollar and a half for his share of the expense. All the excess profits derived from the Senior Ball will be included in the fund for the class gift.

The cap and gown committee has ordered the costumes, and these are now at the College store. All prospective graduates have been asked to get their caps and gowns soon.

With a great deal of enthusiasm being shown by the undergraduate body, the Senior Ball should be a success. Len Fenell and his orchestra have been contracted to play for the dance. Fenell and his orchestra are well-known on the hill, having played at D. K. E. houseparties for several years. Several fraternities are making arrangements whereby the girls attending the dance will be able to stay in the houses Friday night. Willard Eddy, chairman, urges all undergraduates to take advantage of the discount offered to those buying tickets before June 7. Tickets purchased before this date will cost $2.50, while those bought after June 7 will cost $3.00. The senior class committees are counting on the whole hearted support of each member to produce a commencement program that will be interesting throughout.

Pi Delta Epsilon Initiates Ten

The Hamilton chapter of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity, initiated one senior, eight juniors, and one sophomores at a dinner-initiation held at the Chi Psi lodge Wednesday evening.

The newly elected members are: Wallace Aitchison, '41; Harold F. Zaehringer, Charles G. Barton, Joseph B. Watrous, Jr., Robert K. Gordon, William P. Doremus, John R. Barry, Anthony K. Pomolio, James V. Knight, Jr., '42; and Otis M. Bigelow III, '43.

A business meeting followed the induction, at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, George S. Tillman; Vice-presiden, Robert K. Gordon; Secretary, William P. Doremus; Treasurer, Joseph B. Watrous, Jr.

Council Discusses New Plans for '42

Nelson C. Dale, Jr., president of the Student Council, announced Monday that the Council is planning to act next year as an intermediary body between the administration and the students of Hamilton. "Also", the president said, "the Council will try to be a directional body to help the other committees and councils in their work. It will be a switchboard for the other councils and help direct them."

In respect to this new and invigorated policy, the council has appointed representatives to investigate other committees on the Hill such as the Honor Court and the Interfraternity Council. Members of the council have also been appointed to look into the possibility of setting up a dormitory council or committee composed of upperclassmen living in the various buildings. The purpose of this new body, if it were established, would be to govern and discipline the dormitories to a modified extent.

From the beginning, this council has shown interest in the dormitory problems. and it intends to see if something can be done about putting recreation rooms in the dorms. Of the recreation room proposal, President Dale said, "Of course, it's far from definite yet, but we're looking into the possibility."

Department Chooses McKinney Speakers

Four representatives of the Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman public speaking classes will appear in Chapel Friday, June 13, as McKinney Prize Declamation speakers. The public speaking department has selected four men in each class who had the highest averages for the past year, but the faculty must approve these choices before they become valid. Approval is expected soon.

Juniors who are to speak will be:

William S. Minor, Anthony K. Pomilio, William H. McGhee, and Fred W. Taylor.

The Sophomores chosen were: Richard Valone, John P. VanAlstyne, Robert G. Scott, and Robert Bankert.

Freshmen speakers are: Henry Bissex, Harvey Levin, Harry Love, and Robert Odell.

McKinney declamation contests, inaugurated more than fifty years ago by Charles McKinney, a native of Binghamton, have been an annual event ever since. As usual, speakers will compete only with members of their class, and two book prizes will be presented for the two best deliveries in each section.

Unlike the procedure followed previous years when department members restricted the choice of declamations, this year everything is left to the discretion of each individual speaker.

Elsie Houston Sings, Drums in Commons

By R. Roger Rudd

Miss Elsie Houston, Brazilian soprano, stuck a proud feather into the artistic cap of the Musical Art Society as she brought the Society's season to a brilliant end last Sunday evening in the Hall of Commons.

Miss Houston, presenting a unique program of modern Brazilian and Spanish songs, Brazilian magic songs with percussion accompaniment, and South American folk songs, had her audience with her from the very beginning. Her wit and friendly personality in interesting comments before each song put her audience at ease and into a listening mood and high hopes which she did not disappoint.

For the first part of her program the Brazilian soprano presented songs about legendary figures of Brazil, sentimental love songs, a Spanish dance song, and ended with a bolero-like Spanish composition. As an encore for this first part she sang a delightful love song. Miss Houston took her audience quite by surprise as she showed amazing, incredible ability in changing tempo, expansive range of voice, and a wide scope of expressive moods in her singing. The simple, gently rhythmical rolling musical background of the piano accompaniment of Alderson Mowbray increased the effectiveness of the singing.

At the beginning of the second part of her program, Miss Houston had all the Commons lights put out, and behind four lighted candles, which cast eerie shadows about the stage and made her eyes smolder, she sat with an Indian drum in her lap and proceeded to tell the audience about Brazilian Indian Voodoo.

She told how she was attracted to this strange thing because she could never understand it and because of its strong poetic value. She summed up the Indian Voodoo philosophy with "Love is good for you". "The music," she said, "was composed by those who follow the ceremonies, know the dances and become interested in them." Then with the upper half of her face in a shadow—accompanying herself on a drum—she began a Voodoo song which started slowly, worked up to a climax, and tapered off to a talking murmur. Little whispers, cooings, squeaks and warbles all had their place in these magic songs.

Miss Houston, for the third part of her program turned the lights back on and sang South American folk songs. One especially interesting Brazilian folk song was a combination of Catholic prayer in a fetish style.

Hamilton to Confer Six Honorary Degrees at 129th Commencement

Moving-Up Day Event Advanced for Friday At Final Chapel

PENTAGON TO TAP

Tickets Now Available for Senior Guests During Week-end

The student body will celebrate Moving Up Day Friday, May 30th, the last required chapel morning of the semester. Moving Up Day, formerly held on the last Wednesday of examination period, will be highlighted by the tapping of new Pentagon members.

President Cowley will lead the Moving Up Day exercises, and make all announcements. Before the chapel, the seniors will parade from their seats up to the balcony, while the other three classes take the seats held by the class before them.

There will be no chapel service held after Friday, except Sunday Chapel June 1 and June 8.

As is the annual custom, the graduating seniors together with their fathers are invited to the luncheon in the Alumni Gymnasium on the Saturday preceding Commencement, which this year is June 14.

Tickets to the lunch are offered free to fathers of the graduating seniors, and can be obtained at the office of Wallace B. Johnson, Secretary of the College.

Mothers of the seniors are invited to eat lunch at the expense of the college under the marquee in the main quadrangle. Other guests to either luncheon can obtain tickets for fifty cents at the office of Mr. Johnson.

The graduating seniors can now obtain tickets for the Commencement exercises in Chapel at the office of Mr. Johnson.

The program for Commencement Week beginning Friday, June 13 and ending Monday, June 16 is as follows:

Friday, June 13:

3:00 p. m. Meeting of Trustees, Buttrick Hall.

4:00 p. m. McKinney Declamation Contest in Chapel.

8:15 p. m. Play by Charlatans in Hall of Commons.

11:00 p. m. Senior Ball in Alumni Gymnasium.

Saturday, June 14:

12 noon. Alumni-Senior Faculty Luncheon.

2:30 p. m. Clark Prize Exhibition in Chapel.

4-6 p. m. President's Reception in College Library.

The evening has been reserved for dinners and meetings of the reunion classes.

Sunday, June 15:

11:00 a. m. Baccalaureate Service.

2:15 p. m. Annual Meeting of

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Workers Renovate College Buildings

According to President Cowley, no news concerning the rumored renovation of the dormitories and the old gymnasium can be made until after the June 13 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

At the present time, improvements are being made on many buildings. The Kirkland Cottage has already been painted, and the exterior of Silliman Hall is being painted at present. Throughout the next few weeks workmen will paint the outside of the Hall of Commons, the interior of the Science Building, and the interior and exterior of the Chemistry Laboratory. The Risley house, formerly "Old Greek" North's home at the Arbor, will be completely remodeled to be used for occupancy by the college janitors.

Times Story Wrong

The rumor, founded on the article in The New York Times for May 22, that Hamilton College will offer a special three-year program instead of the regular four-year one beginning this fall, to enable students to finish their academic courses before being called to the colors is erroneous, according to President W. H. Cowley.

Dr. Guy Snavely, executive director of the Association of American Colleges, from whose office the plan was supposedly disclosed, said in a letter to Dr. Cowley that the story in The New York Times was "simply an amplification of suggestions", and "unfortunate was the statement that the Association was assuming authority for individual colleges".

President Cowley stated Monday that the story had no justification and was strictly "just a reporter's story". Practically every college in the United States already offers a three-year plan for those who wish to take it, and the Hamilton College catalogue states that it is "possible for students of high standing to shorten the time of residence by taking extra courses". A three-year program in place of a four-year program is not an innovation but perhaps now offers a more practical application in view of the national emergency.

Both CPT Courses Finish in 10 Days

With work going at a feverish pace in both ground and flight phases of the secondary CPT training, Lieutenant Harry Jones says the course will be completed within 10 days. Friday the secondary ground school phase comes to an end with an 8-hour examination in navigation, theory, and practice of flight, meteorology, and aircraft operation. When he took his flight exam yesterday, James Swallen was the first Hamilton man to complete the secondary flight training. Completion of the secondary course leads to a limited commercial pilot's license and eligibility for an apprentice instrucor's course due to begin on June 15th at the Utica Aviation School. About the same date a summer secondary course will start. Anyone having completed the primary course is eligible for the $1,000 flight training, says Lt. Jones.

In Root Hall the primary men are "grinding" for the final ground work exam to be held at 8:00 p. m. in Root hall. Instructor Fred Simmonds says the exam will be two hours long and will be a multiple choice type on Civil Air Regulations, practical navigation, meteorology, and aircraft operation. Last week John Rankin passed his flight test, making him the first man in the primary

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Charlatans Schedule Plans for Next Year

Under the leadership of President A. Walter Godard, the Charlatans have begun to formulate plans for next year. Godard and Vice-president William Klump stated that among the first changes would be one in organization. It is felt that the Charlatans would greatly benefit by a more complete organization which would run smoother for their future extensive work.

It has been decided to try to hold at least one play every two months next year and to work plans for some road tours into this chedule.

Work on the plays is to be divided so that new talent which may come to the fore will have a greater chance. Godard also is looking for a good stage crew, because "the production angle is as important as the acting."

The leaders of the Charlatans were not able to disclose further plans until they had been carried closer to completion, but they feel that an active year is to be hoped for.

Friday night of Commencement week-end the Charlatans will present three one-act plays, one of which may be by Noel Coward. The plays will all be humorous and the whole performance short so that members of the college community may be able to attend the Senior Ball later in the evening.

Five Recipients to Be Men, Four of Whom Are Alumni

WOMAN HONORED

Two LL.D., Two L.H.D., One D.D. Degree to Be Awarded June 16

Hamilton will confer six honorary degrees at its 129th annual commencement June 16, President W. H. Cowley announced Monday. Five of the recipients are men, while the sixth is a woman, the third to receive an honorary degree from Hamilton. Four of the recipients are Hamilton alumni.

LL.D. to West

James E. West, Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, and Charles Harwood, '02, Governor of the Virgin Islands, will receive Doctor of Laws degrees. James Albert Winans, '97, Evans Professor of Public Speaking at Dartmouth College, and Miss Alice Van Vechten Brown, Professor of Art, Emeritus, Wellesley College, will be given the degree of Doctor of More Humane Letters.

Clayton Halsey Sharp, '90, a physicist and electrical engineer, will be given the degree of Doctor of Science while the Rev. John H. Gardner, Jr., '16, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, will be granted a Doctor of Divinity Degree.

Former Lawyer

Mr. West, who will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree, is well known for his work in connection with the Boy Scouts of America, with which he has been connected since the movement started in this country thirty years ago. Originally a lawyer, Mr. West served as a member of the Board of Pension Appeals, as Assistant Attorney of the Department of Interior and conducted a private practice in his native city of Washington. He organized the Citizens' Committee and secured a Juvenile Court for Washington. Mr. West has also been active in the National Child Rescue League and has served on committees of many youth organizations.

Island Governor

Charles Harwood, also a Doctor of Laws candidate, was graduated from Hamilton in the Class of 1902 and from the New York Law School in 1904. After admission to the bar in the same year, Mr. Harwood began his practice of law in New York City. He has served in New York State Assembly, as special assistant to the United State Attorney General, and as judge of the United States District Court in the Canal Zone. Last year, Mr. Harwood was named to the governorship of the Virgin Islands by President Roosevelt.

Miss Brown, who will receive a Doctor of More Humane Letters degree, will be Hamilton's third alumna. Ruth Draper and Helen Hayes, both actresses, are the only other two women ever given degrees by Hamilton. Before her retirement, Miss Brown was a professor of art at Wellesley College. She has also been active in various art and women's groups. With William Rankin, she published "A Short History of Italian Paintings".

Winans Alumnus

Mr. Winans, a recognized authority in speech instruction, was graduated from Hamilton in 1897. He taught English in the Middleton High School in 1899-1901. From 1901 until 1920, with the exception of one year of teaching at the University of California in 1902-03, Mr. Winans served on the public speaking faculty at Cornell University, rising from an instruc-

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600-Mile Jaunts Mean Nothing To Hill's Meandering Bicyclist

By Arnold H. Osgood, '44

All you need are two good legs and a bicycle. That's Frank Child's prescription for spring wanderlust. And Frank, the familiar cycling "Lone Ranger" of the freshman class, ought to know.

Frank has had a bicycle all his life. He became a member of the American Youth Hostels organization several years ago, and today has hundreds of miles notched up on his trusty pedals. A hostel near his home in Port Jefferson, L. I. first interested him in cycling for enjoyment, and, purchasing the required one-dollar pass-card and sheet-sleeping bag, he embarked on his first trip several summers ago.

"It was just out on Long Island a ways, but I was a wreck when I came back", he recalls, smiling a little at the memory of those first headwinds and inconsiderate motorists. But exercise and experience shortly made him a more hardy rider, and last summer he took his first long trip—a two-wheeled trek for 600 miles up through Rhode Island and Cape Cod.

Each of these hostel trips is supervised by a leader sent out from New York headquarters. Nights are spent in farmhouses of kindly but poor farmers who welcome the small income and the companionship of the groups. Twenty-five cents a night is the charge of the hostel "parents", and a dollar a day will suffice for all expenses. Inexpensive equipment, packs, bags, and cooking utensils are easy to buy. The groups usually do about 70 miles a day or less, depending on the whim of the cyclists, but up to 100 miles is not impossible. Frank rode 120 miles one day in a trip to Oneonta, "all against the wind."

During the college year he has taken week-end trips to nearby places such as Leonardsville, Oneida Lake, and Cooperstown. On the jaunt to Oneida a heavy rainstorm, encountered about five miles out, added to the difficulty of riding in week-end traffic. Although Frank's bike is equipped with three gear speeds, an uphill ride into a rainstorm is no cinch.

"The experiences of travel are twice as interesting when you're on a bicycle", Hamilton's only pedal-pusher asserts. On the trip to Cape Cod the cyclers stopped at the elite Cape Playhouse, where only those who can use a lorgnette and see through it "belong." The hostlers, two girls and three boys,

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Marking Time

No Celebration; Ed Comes Through; A College President In Uniform

Dwight Lindley, '42, famed in the last Alumni Review as Hamilton's first junior to paste on the "traveling H" after the car petition went through, has a birthday July 4—his 21st. The new draft registration comes July 1, but we see by the Tuesday morning newspapers that the new regulation will affect those who become 21 within five weeks of July 1. Another celebration off.

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Every week we run across a paper from another college that gives us the shudders. In the files one day, we ran across the April 8 issue of the Boston University News. On the front page appeared a picture of baseball coach Mel Collard chatting with catcher Charlie O'Connell and pitcher Bill DeMerritt. Caption over the picture—"Charging the Battery."

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If we were in Ed Gardner's shoes, we'd feel slighted, what with father and brother Jack both receiving degrees at commencement—the Rev. Gardner an honorary D.D. and Jack the regular '41 scroll. Ed, though, will soon have a private pilot diploma from the primary Civilian Pilot course, thus keeping up the family tradition.

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The blackout comes to Hamilton. That's the way it looks, anyway, with the 10:30 lights muffed out in Commons as late comers pour coke down their shirt-fronts and try to jam strawberry pie somewhere near their mouths.

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Charley Kimball, editor of the Clinton Courier, evidently couldn't figure out the story on the sailing club we ran last week. We quote his comment, "Don't take our word for it, but someone has seen a mirage on College Hill. Bounding waves and a surf-lashed shore showed up as plain as day. At least that's what we think because it is reported that the students are forming a Sailing and Navigation Club."

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The draft isn't all. Dr. William A. Eddy, 45, president of Hobart and William Smith Colleges, is under Navy Department orders to report for duty "at the close of the college year." President Eddy, a retired major in the Marine Corps, has a year's absence without pay.

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What goes on in Clinton may or may not interest the average Hill dweller, but the latest progressive move in our neighboring metropolis should. The story is that a number of the villagers have banded together, drawn up a petition, and sent it to the Public Service Commission. The issue—reduction of the telephone rate between Clinton and Utica. No action has been reported yet, but we lend our unqualified support.

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Like democracy, the Hamilton Honor System works only when its trustees are alert. Its value drops when they forget their job. They must feel a personal responsibility for it. They must take an active interest in its maintenance. They must be ready to make personal sacrifices for it. The institution merits their pride, for its very existence is a high compliment to the college. They must be unanimous in their resolution to keep the system intact, and quick to act if it is threatened.

Who are the trustees? You and 433 other men. There is no one who hasn't a real interest in its effectiveness. This fear of being called "squealer" is childish. If you know where the system falls down, you shirk a personal charge in not acting on it. Mere grumbling is no help. The Honor Court exists for the special task of hearing your complaint and sifting out the evidence for a just solution. To let a violation go unreported, to withhold helpful evidence, involves disloyalty to the college. *You* are responsible for the Honor System. You are one of its trustees. Don't let it down!

BATS AND BALLS . . .

There has been a rumor around the campus for some time that Hamilton College's inter-fraternity sports are governed by an organization known as the Intramural Council.

Zeus and his playmates atop Mt. Olympus, the Nazis notwithstanding, are more real to us than this council. Perhaps it meets in shrouded secrecy up back of the reservoir; perhaps the clandestine clique howls its pertinent instructions to the lonely pines surrounding the college water works. We don't know.

We condemn this council, therefore, for its abject failure to supervise inter-fraternity sports. It did not provide the bats and balls so necessary, so we are told, to carry on a game of softball. It sent no men to umpire these games. In short, the entire spring program could have gone to pot and the council would have been none the wiser.

We sincerely hope that next year's council will pattern itself after the incumbent—only in direct antithesis of it. Then the inter-fraternity league will run with some pretense at smoothness.

H. F. Z.

DEAD LETTERS

The editors of HAMILTON LIFE herewith announce that they are unable to publish, in whole or in part, any letters directed to the editorial desk unless these letters are signed by their writers.

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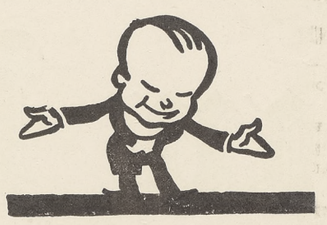

"The time has come," our Prexy said,
"To think of many things;
Of dinks and flunks and scholarships
And all the joys they bring(s)."

"But we are told," the students say,
"To get outdoors and sing;
For dinks and flunks and scholarships
Don't go where Carpe's king."

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May the sparrow that visited the sacred halls of old Psi U last week had something to do with his fifth column work. They say that such feathered visitors are portents of death or some such thing. Observers have reported that the big man from the Southern Tier became a bit pallid and holed in for a long grind session as soon as the bird disappeared.

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A lot of the fellows are hard at work polishing off the odds and ends of the term's work, and writing term papers. The best subjects we've heard so far, and the one that should be handled most adequately, is the one Benny Goodman is doing for Art. He's working on the theory that a little research and groundwork in present-day conditions do no end of good as far as the past is concerned, so he's been fairly busy with personal investigation. His subject is "Bridges and Sewers of Ancient Rome." He feels he can handle that latter part okay, but is a little doubtful about the first, since he's never found any difficulty in getting across the passes or obstacles that he's bumped into during his sweet, young life.

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The dance given by the Squires after the Speech Choir Concert last week apparently was a success as far as Bobbie Stone was concerned, though we'll wager he didn't write the loved one back home about it. He seems to have gotten in with a gal who didn't dance. That wasn't bad though, for she used to live next to Mrs. Mudge, the Lambda Chi cook, and "would just love to walk down to see her again." So they did just that, managing to get back uphill in time to make the last dance. After everything had finished and she left for the bus, Bobbie started off for the salt. He didn't go far though, before one of the Gnomes roared and thrust in his hands a note that contained her scrawled address and ended with the underscored words, "Please write!"

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But the rest of the kids weren't exactly sleepin' either. There was our man Waldo cuttin' a mean rug and really gettin' hep for the first time since his first dance at his high school's Junior Prom. And T. J. Pryor coming up for air after spending the evening under the cover of darkness in Hartig's stationwagon and saying, "My, I'd like to see more of that girl."

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Somebody definitely slipped up at the Musical Arts Concert the other night, for no one seems to have gotten a date with the blonde menace that was there. Of course, brother "Zoom" Gardner was making pretty good time and flying fairly high at the reception that was held afterwards, but his face took a nose dive when he heard from the most reliable Mr. Binkley that she had a "Missus" tacked on in front of her name. He was a bit sorry that he had dropped her so quickly later on when he learned that the story was false and she was still fancy free. By that time, though, he was on the outside looking in, for mustachioed Les Start had started where he left off and was trying to be super-smooth before the rest of the flies swarmed in. That's just Maggie Gleason.

Melzar's Falstaff Makes Hit In Fancher Group Production

By Don Watkin

The Class in Dramatic Interpretation, under the direction of Professor Paul A. Fancher presented six scenes from the life of Sir John Falstaff taken from parts one and two of "King Henry IV", by William Shakespeare, in the Hall of Commons Friday evening.

In perhaps no other performance have characters been so expertly cast. Certainly no one could have fitted the part of Sir John, Shakespeare's best humorous character, with more natural ability than Melzar T. Richards. Despite his 215 pounds, Melzar still had to be padded a bit to acquire Falstaffian proportions. Yet his round face, his intrinsic wit, and his physical alacrity produced an effect that might well put the original rounder to shame.

As handsome Prince Hal, Marty deNoyelles played a superb role. He seemed to have just the right mixture of arrogance and affability to produce the typical Shakespearean crown prince. Otis Bigelow, his faultless features blotted out by a prodigious putty beak which varied in its degrees of redness as the play progressed, portrayed to perfection Falstaff's stooge, the neurotic, befuddled Bardolfe. The bawdy character of Pistol was well handled by Larry Spellman. As King Henry IV, Bill Klump, attired in a flowing golden robe, a crown, and a Paul Muni beard, put his fiery eloquence into his throne room scene with Prince Hal. Jack Barry, playing the three rolls of Poins, Wart, and Fang, did each with exceptional merit.

Hamilton masculine females, Tom Adams and Steve Walker, added another triumph to their list of successes. With a well-modulated soprano and ample sway of the hips, Tom played the trull, Doll Tearsheet, even outdoing his Kitty Verdun role in "Charley's Aunt". His cuddling scene with Melzar was one of the more riotous incidents of the play. For his part, Steve fretted and and blustered excellently in the attire of Mistress Quickly, hostess of a tavern in the slums of Eastcheap.

As brother county justices, Shallow and Silence, Art Ward and Tom Colby put their parts across nobly. After the sullen, ashen-hued Silence had been enlivened and flushed by a few shots of sack, he became a figure equal in his humorous qualities to the ever pompous and bombastic Shallow. Bill Seligmann (also Francis, the "anon, anon, sir" sack drawer), Joe Mangan (also Davy, Shallow's servant), Jack Barry, Don Nichols (also Snare, the timid Sheriff's officers), and Bill Schmidt could not have been better cast to the parts of the "picked" recruits, Mouldy, Shadow, Wart, Feeble, and Bullalf. Bob Wilkerson as Pete and Charlie Scharf as the sheriff also played their parts well.

To enhance the effect of the play, the characters were well attired in authentic costumes obtained from a Boston costumer. The scenery, despite a wobbly, laugh producing chimney, was excellent. After a performance such as this, the college can look forward with expectation to another presentation under Professor Fancher's direction.

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Editor of **Hamilton Life**:

In your most recent issue of **Life**, I was much surprised to learn that Hamilton has added another extra-curricular activity, namely these hypothetical "riots", to its list of taboos. Now Mr. Webster defines a "riot" as "uproar; tumult; noise; revelry". However, although the definition is undoubtedly true theoretically, I think that the average person believes that a "riot" consists of groups of hardened individuals in striped suits disemboweling guards while running between the twisted bars and machine-gun bullets. As yet, I have seen no such demonstrations upon the greensward of Hamilton College. I do not believe that any student in college considers members of the student council as "wardens" of this institution. Why should we be considered as prisoners? Why not call a spade a spade and a water fight a water fight?

I heartily agree that the two weeks before examinations are no time for water fights and other similar activities, but I am convinced, as are many other students, that water fights are a tradition that belongs to Hamilton alone. Nearly every college or university in the country has its flag rush, "slimer", tug o' war, and interclass rivalry. How many institutions of similar nature enjoy water fights? It took the distinctiveness (of which we are so proud) of Hamilton to think up something as different as a water fight.

We should not allow the water fight to become taboo. One cannot say that it is no definite value to the participants; it is one of the most harmless and amusing ways of banishing the "blues" or pent-up emotions that I know of. And there are other ways—but then that's for Hemingway.

If we are not to be allowed, within certain limitations, to have water fights spontaneously then we should at least proclaim a campus-wide "Water Fight Night"—after all, it would certainly help the Carnegie boys with their two by four bathtubs.

It seems to me that the student council is barking up the wrong tree. Suggestings: Some students are becoming shell-shocked from the unexpected burst of automatic rifles and shotguns that shatter the evening air. Some communities license bicycles too!

Aye, throw your battered buckets down!
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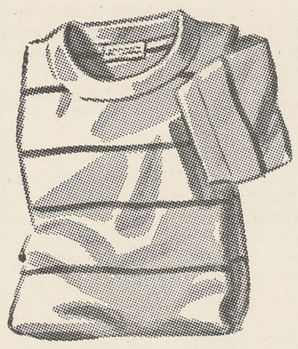

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Sport Slants

By Del Vecchio

COACH WINTERS' TRACK team stole all honors during Hamilton day at Rochester Saturday. Never once did the track team lag behind in the score in its overwhelming victory over the UR. The tracksters say they did it for Coach Winters. There can be no finer tribute to a finer man on this campus.

AGAIN THE HILL NINE dropped a game after the usual quota of errors. About the only person we can't accuse of making errors is the catcher, but then, he catches only the pitches and he knows where they are going. We're sorry we can't say this for the rest of the team.

THE LOWLY A'S, OR SHOULD we say the up and coming A's have won seven out of their last eight games, having sunk the league leading Indians for three and the down-trodden Nationals for three. In Frank Hayes, the Athletics have one of the best and hardest hitting catchers in the American league. Can it be that Connie Mack has finally found a team which after a bit of experience will win another pennant for him in a few years?

At this point, we would like to call Les Young's fine work to everyone's attention. Les has pitched well all season but has been the victim of poor support. His greatest achievement was his one hit game against Albany two weeks ago. He has also turned in several other creditable performances. He has never been known to complain, and he takes defeat in stride. Les deserves a good deal of credit, and we want him to know that we appreciate his efforts.

IN THE LAST GAME WITH the Senators, Wally Moses of the A's pulled an unusual batting feat, having had two batting turns at one standing. The story goes that he called for a time out, but Dutch Leonard sent one down the groove which Wally batted out for a long fly and an out. However, since he called for a time out, he got another chance at the plate This time he singled.

THE PITTSBURG PIRATES are having tough luck with injuries this season losing two rookie stars, Bob Elliot and Frank Crespi, star short stop. Elliot stopped a bean ball and Crespi broke a finger on his left hand. It's bad enough to have a mediocre team, but then losing some of the stars is even worse.

SO FAR THIS YEAR BOB Feller of the Indians leads in the

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Wintersmen Victorious Over Rochester Varsity

Coach and Seniors Leave College With Triumph For Final Meet

The Hamilton track team, in its last meet under Coach Art Winters, came through to beat Rochester Saturday by a score of 73 to 58.

Richards Takes First

Jannone was again outstanding—this time with three firsts and three seconds. He made his best time of the year in the 220 with :22.2 and his best distance in the javelin throw with 172 feet 11 inches. Melzar Richards, who has been improving all season, also reached his high mark in the shot put, taking a first with 41 feet 7 1-2 inches.

Art Winters

The seniors on the team, participating in their last intercollegiate meet, proved that they could take their share of the places. The Underwoods, who ran in both the mile and two mile runs, made a total of twelve points by taking a second and a third in the mile and tieing for first in the two mile. Captain Eddy was barely edged out by Rochester's ace, Bruckel, in a grueling 440 and in the last lap of the mile relay, but he easily took second in the 440. George Thompson picked up six points by winning the high jump and placing in the low hurdles; and Dave Millner did his part when he took places in the 220 and 440.

The Wintersmen as a whole performed exceptionally well and showed notable improvement over the first meets of the year. The Rochester team was a powerful opponent, as is shown by the fact that it defeated Union, which had succeeded in downing the Hamilton team a few weeks before. The Rochester meet was a decisive one, for Hamilton had a five point edge in the track events and a ten point edge in the field events. However, the winning ten second places and six third places, as opposed to only seven firsts, was largely responsible for the Continental victory.

Rochester Takes Frosh

The freshmen did well in their meet, but, hindered by a shortage of men, were defeated by a score of 72 2-3 to 49 1-3.

Bill Coleman, the frosh distance star, again proved his outstanding ability with two firsts—one a 4:43.7 mile and the other a 2:50.4 half. Doug Kuhn and Jack Williams were also standouts, although they are new-comers to the track.

Inter-fraternity Meet

The Inter-fraternity meet, in which varsity lettermen will be ineligible, will take place this Thursday and Friday, half of the events taking place each day. The Alpha Delts won the honors last year, but this year it looks like a toss-up. A list of events is posted on the gym bulletin board.

Summary of the Rochester meet:

100-yard—Jannone (H) first; Leavenworth (H) second; Woods (R) third. Time :10.2.

220-yard—Jannone (H) first; Bruckel (R) second; Millner (H) third. Time :22.2.

440-yards—Bruckel (R) first; Eddy (H) second; Millner (H) third. Time :52.7.

880-yards—Englert (R) first; Williford (H) second; Lindemer (H) third. Time 1:59.1.

Mile—Englert (R) first; Underwood, JT (H) second; Underwood, JH (H) third. Time 4:43.

Mile relay—Walker, Allison, Englis, and Bruckel (R) first; Nesbitt, Williford, Millner, and Eddy (H) second. Time 3:39.2.

Two Mile—Underwoods (H) tie for first; Champney (R) third. Time 11:06.6.

High hurdles—Zinter (R) first; Leonard (H) second; Lundguard (R) third. Time :16.4.

Low hurdles—Zinter (R) first; Eberle H() second; Thompson (H) third. Time :25.9.

Shot put—Richards (H) first; Hennrich (R) second; Koerbel (R) third. Distance 41 feet 7 1-2 inches.

Discus throw—Jannone (H) first; Beardslee (H) second; Koerbel (R) third. Distance 119 feet 8 3-4 inches.

Javelin—Schongalla (R) first; Jannone (H) second; Beardslee (H) third. Distance 179 feet 7 inches.

Pole vault—Leonard (H) first; Allison (R) second; De Witte (R) third. Height 10 feet 6 inches.

High jump—Thompson (H) first; Jannone (H) and De Witte (R) tie for second. Height 5 feet 8 inches.

Broad jump—Mann (R) first; Jannone (H) second; Zinter (R) third. Distance 20 feet 5 1-4 inches.

Squires Club Elects Officers for 1941-42

Anthony K. Pomilio, '42, was elected president of the Squires Club for next year at a meeting Wednesday evening. Herbert Wieder, '42, was named vice-president, Arthur C. Ward, '43, secretary, Albert M. Hartig, '42, treasurer, and Alfred E. Loveland, Jr., '44, assistant secretary-treasurer. Milton P. Kayle, '43, was named parliamentarian and Armand H. Hoch, '42, sergeant-at-arms, by the president.

The elections were held under a new constitution and by-laws recently adopted to replace the old constitution under which the club had been operating since its organization in January, 1939. The main change as a result of the new constitution and by-laws is direct election of officers by the club. Formerly, each class elected three members to an executive committee which in turn named the officers from its number.

President Pomilio said that future plans of the club include development of the club's library. Already it has a shelf of books as the result of an appeal by David H. Beetle to alumni and friends of the college.

The club is also making plans to renovate its quarters and to secure pins. The group also hopes to have upperclassmen act as advisers to freshmen next year.

The club plans to cooperate with the Squires Club Alumni Association in entertaining alumni returning for the commencement weekend. A tea may also be held for seniors on Baccalaureate Sunday.

Intramural Sports

Emerson Literary Society, champion in League B, is now awaiting the outcome of League A, in which Sigma Phi, Chi Psi, and the Squire Buffs have chances of coming through on top.

The Lits defeated Delta Kappa Epsilon 6-4 in a closely played contest to assure themselves of at least a tie for first place as Alpha Delta Phi forfeited another game to them. In their last game, the Lits came up to the last inning of the Tau Kappa Epsilon game with a 7-5 lead and then chased 12 men across the platter to chalk up an imposing 18-7 victory.

Meanwhile, League A was mixing things up with all the top teams dropping one game. Chi Psi, previously defeated by the Buffs, took Sigma Phi into camp 12-10 behind Cappy Doremus' pitching. The Sigs had previously knocked off the Buffs 6-5 an extra inning when catcher Marse Rotundo whipped a peg over second baseman Shulman's head to allow the deciding run to dent the platter. Sigma Phi also defeated Delta Upsilon 9-2 to make up for their near loss in the first meeting.

Chi Psi scored its other triumph over Psi Upsilon 15-9 and the Buffs nosed out Psi Upsilon in other League A contests.

In League B, Tau Kappa Epsilon blew up in the last inning again to hand the Squires Blues their only win, 8-7, after the Tekes held a 7-3 lead going into the last canto. In their last game, the Tekes came back and played a steady game to upset Delta Kappa Epsilon 9-8, ringing up three counters in the last frame. The Dekes came through with a 10-6 win over Theta Delta Chi, who notched their second win with a 9-5 count over the Squires Blues.

Games still to be played are Squires Buffs vs. Delta Upsilon; Chi Psi vs. Delta Upsilon; Lambda Chi Alpha vs Psi Upsilon; and Alpha Delta Phi vs. Theta Delta Chi.

Team	Won	Lost
Sigma Phi	4	1
Squires Buffs	3	1
Chi Psi	3	1
Delta Upsilon	1	2
Psi Upsilon	1	3
Lambda Chi Alpha	0	4

Strandings in League B

Emerson Literary Society	5	0
Delta Kappa Epsilon	3	2
Theta Delta Chi	2	2
Theta Kappa Epsilon	3	2
Alpha Delta Phi	1	3
Squires Blues	1	4

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Rochester Captures Tennis Match, 5 to 4

Forced to cancel two games because of rain, the Gelasmen completed their schedule of games for the 1941 season, dropping a close set match to Rochester, 5-4.

The game, played on the Rochester courts Saturday, was exceptional in that although Hamilton won only one of the singles matches, the Hillmen came smashing through to win every doubles set. Greatly hampered by the absence of Dale and Eagle, the team dropped the match, 5-4. Captain MacLenathen played his usual strong game. Goulding won the only singles match to be taken by Hamilton.

The star of the Rochester team, who outclassed all of the Hillmen, was Wade.

Having cancelled the scheduled game with Cazenovia because of rain, the freshmen tennis squad completed its schedule by defeating the Manlius School, 6-1, Wednesday.

Golfers Win Over Yellowjacket Team

After succumbing to a Union College team which it had previously beaten, Hamilton's golf team flew back to form to conquer, for the second time this year, a fine Yellowjacket team, 6-3, Saturday.

The loss to Union was a complete reversal of the 7-2 Buff and Blue victory of several weeks ago in that the Garnet team managed to administer an 8-1 shellacking to the favored Hill team. With ace Bill Johnson losing his first match of the year, Captain Dick Geer was the only Hamilton man able to win his match.

However, against Rochester the story was different. Two of the three points which Rochester won from the Buff and Blue were on best ball so that only one of the Hamilton six-man team lost his own individual match.

Publications Changes Are Discussed By Hill Board

Proposed changes in The Gaboon and **Life** were discussed by the Publications Board at the organization's meeting Tuesday.

While definite plans are not yet prepared for the major alterations, other minor details also were discussed.

George S. Tillman, '42, was elected chairman for 1941-42.

Webermen Win at Home, 13-4; Drop Rochester Contest, 7-3

The Hamilton College baseball team trounced Albany State Teachers for the second time this season, Wednesday piling up a 13-4 victory.

Masters Hurls Throughout

The game was loosely played by both teams, a total of eleven errors being committed. Hamilton unleashed a twelve hit attack, while Masters, who pitched the complete game for Hamilton, held the visitors to five bingles. Bob Towner clouted out three safe hits, and Mac Bristol slammed a home run into the right field corner. Jim Donovan poled a triple to deep center field in the second inning. Balog, Albany short stop, gathered his team's only extra base blow, doubling to left field in the eighth.

Frank Masters, in his first complete game of the seosn, hurled well and was in serious trouble at no stage of the contest. He walked two and struck out five. Leonard, Albany pitcher, gave up twelve hits, walked four, and struck out none. His team committed seven costly errors.

The Continentals traveled to Rochester Saturday and went down to a 7-3 defeat at the hands of the Yellowjackets. Poor support in the field again led to Hamilton's downfall. Les Young hurled this game for Hamilton and pitched creditably, letting Rochester down with eight scattered hits.

Rochester picked up two runs in the second, fourth, and fifth innings and added the final run in the seventh. Spriger, Rochester center fielder, led his team at the plate, pounding out two singles in four trips to the plate.

All Hamilton's runs came from walks as they racked up only four hits. Captain Jack Williams led the Hamilton offensive, collecting one hit, a double, in two trips to the plate.

Harry Keating, Rochester sophomore, pitched the entire game for the Yellowjackets, and chalked up his fifth victory of the season.

Frosh Win

Leading all the way, Hamilton freshmen defeated the Morrisville Aggies Saturday, 6-4. Although outhit, the yearlings took advantage of their opportunities and bunched their runs.

Dana Babcock drove out the longest hit of the game, a triple, to drive in the final Hamilton tally in the sixth. Warren Kelly went the distance for the freshmen.

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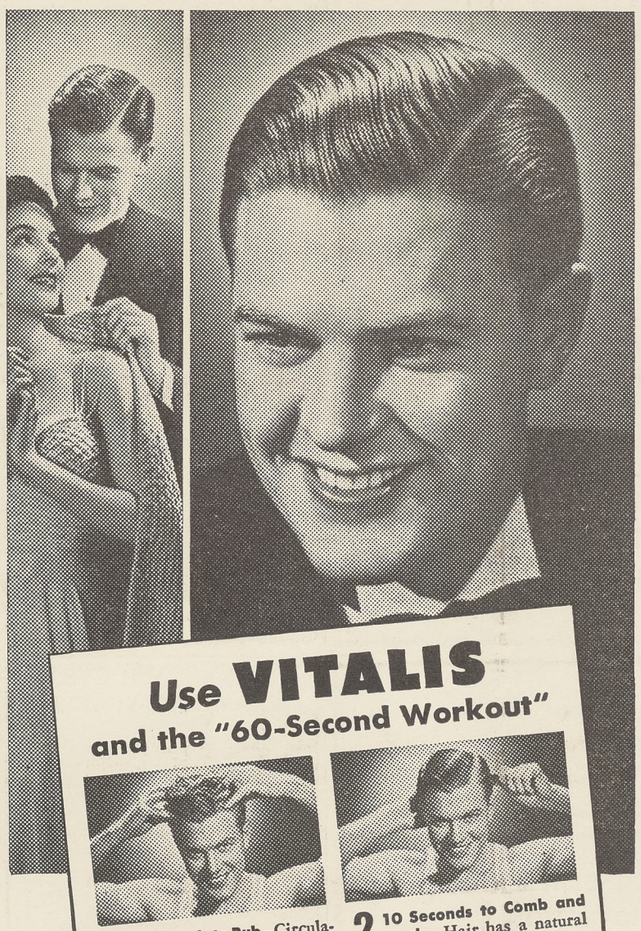

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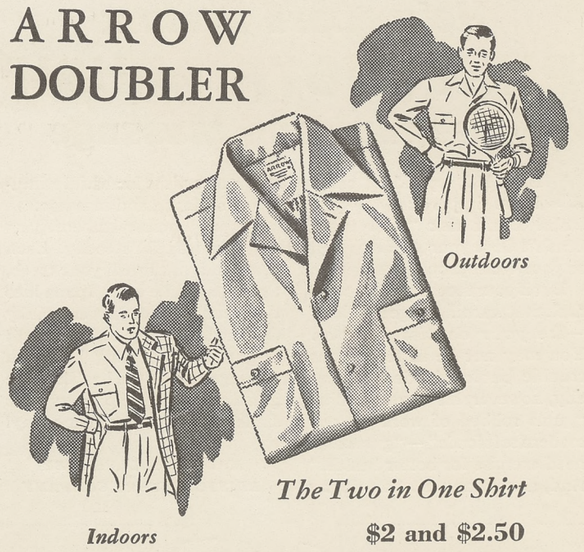

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THE ROME COLONELS IN the Can-Am Class C ball broke several records in their game with the Oneonta Athletics last Sunday. They garnered a total of nine home runs. One player hit 3 consecutive home runs, 2 in one inning, which is going some in anybody's league. The manager also connected for 3 home runs though not consecutively. He sandwiched a walk and a single in the meantime. The other home runs were gathered while these two men were resting.

MAURI ROSE HAS EARNED pole position in the 500 mile speed classic at Indianapolis on May 30, qualifying with 128.697 miles per hour. We are not mentioning this as a mark for you Hamiltonian car owners to shoot at. His record was made on a race track. . .

EVERY NEW FIGHTER THAT meets Joe Louis gets closer to the crown, we say. Abe Simon looked good until his finish; Tony Musto made Louis look sick for a while, and now Buddy Baer, California's unsung hero, knocking him down in the first round. We personally do not think that the Brown Bomber is weakening, but we believe that his opponents are getting more confident. In a few months we think Louis will meet his Waterloo! Will it be Conn or Nova?

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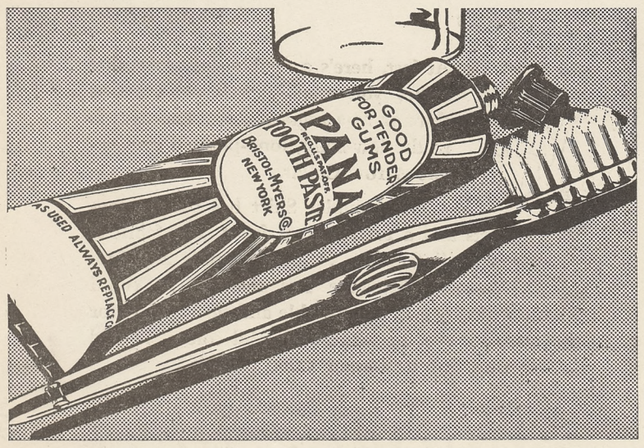

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all dressed in shorts and covered from head to foot with tar, road grime, and plain dirt, walked up to the box office to see if they could find some fun. The ticket-seller apparently had the same idea, since, after he had done his duty by protesting, he sold them the tickets.

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MOVING-UP DAY—

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Pentagon at home of Wallace B. Johnson.

3:00 p. m. Class Day Exercises in Chapel.

5:00 p. m. Choir Recital in Chapel.

The evening until 9:30 has been reserved for fraternity meetings.

9:30 p. m. College Sing on Campus.

Monday, June 16:

9:30 a. m. Commencement Processions form in front of Kirkland House.

10:00 a. m. 129th Commencement with confirment of Degrees.

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CPT COURSES—

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course to complete the flight training. Petersen, Wightman, Gardner and Keefe will take their flight tests tomorrow, and the other men are expected to finish up within the next 10 days; it is expected that a summer primary course will be taught starting June 15th. Of the primary men, Wightman, Rankin, Evans, Petersen, Eames, Petronio and Schepsis intend to go into the summer secondary session.

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Mr. Sharp, who will receive a Doctor of Science degree, is a recognized authority in physics, especially in the field of illumination. A graduate of Hamilton in the Class of 1890, he received his Ph.D. at Cornell in 1895. He was an instructor in physics at Cornell from 1895 to 1900, when he became a test officer for Electric Testing Laboratories in New York City, a position he held until 1914, when he became vice-president. He held this post until 1933.

Mr. Sharp, who has been a consultant in light and electricity and a patentee of various instruments for electrical and photometric measurements, has served as a delegate to international meetings in his field. He has also contributed to many technical publications.

D.D. to Gardner

Mr. Gardner, '16, who will receive a Doctor of Divinity degree, will be returning for his twenty-fifth reunion. This commencement will also be the occasion of the graduation of his oldest son, John Hamish, 3rd. Mr. Gardner served as Assistant Pastor in Detroit during 1916-17 and was Chaplain of the 75th Infantry during the World War. He was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Urbana, Illinois, from 1927-36, spending a great deal of time working with students at the University of Illinois, on whose campus the church is located. Since that time, he has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Baltimore. Prominent in Presbyterian activities, Mr. Gardner is a director of the Maryland Council of Churches and a member delegate of the Federal Council. He has served on the administrative council on national missions of the Presbyterian Church.

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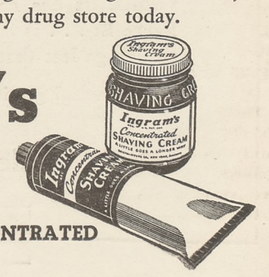

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